

South Kentuckian.

CHAS. M. MEACHAM, EDITOR.
HOPKINSVILLE, DECEMBER 12, 1882.
ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Willbur F. Browder, of Logan Co., a candidate for Attorney General, subject to the action of the Democratic State Convention. Election in August, 1883.

We are authorized to announce Prof. H. B. Wayland, of Calif., as a candidate for County Judge of Trigg county. Election August 1883.

The President intends to re-construct his cabinet, within the next thirty days.

It is now regarded as almost certain that Carlisle will be Speaker of the next House. Randall and Cox will also be candidates.

The South Carolina Legislature has re-elected Senator Butler to the United States Senate.

Editor Cokerly who killed A. W. Chappell, at St. Louis, has been completely exonerated by the Grand Jury.

The Most Reverend Archbishop Campbell Tait, D. D., Archbishop of Canterbury and primate of England, died last week.

Mr. C. W. Branstetter, senior editor of the Owensboro Messenger, will be married Dec. 21st, to Miss Virginia Finley, of Lebanon, Tenn.

The Senate is now at work on a bankruptcy bill and the indications are that one will be passed.

Arabi Pasha was found guilty of rebellion last week and sentenced to death by the court-martial, but the Khedive immediately commuted his sentence to exile. He will be permitted to choose his own place of residence in the British dominions.

The News, the new Democratic daily just started at Cincinnati, is coming well and well managed and has started under the most favorable auspices and its merits will insure its success. It will be sold by newsdealers at two cents.

Senator Beck has introduced a resolution in the Senate calling on the Judiciary committee to investigate the violation of the law in regard to political assassinations and arraigning Mahone and other Senators. The bill will provide severe penalties, among which is disqualification to hold any Government office. It will be supported by the Democrats and will probably pass Congress. Willis has introduced a similar bill in the House.

The President's Message.

The second annual message of President Arthur is a conservative, unassuming paper. A great part of it is taken up in reviewing our foreign relations and in the discussion of other matters of no interest to the general reader. His recommendations in regard to internal taxes, the tariff and other matters are such as will meet with pretty general public approval. He favors a revision of the tariff but does not say just how far he is willing to do away with protection. It is evidently not his purpose to take a square and decided stand, but to merely feel the public pulse. His views on internal improvement are correct and he favors reform and a curtailment of unnecessary appropriations and expenditures. He favors a reduction of letter postage to two cents and this also meets the hearty approval of the people.

The President in his reference to the assessment plan of raising money, as practiced by Hubbell, expresses his emphatic disapproval. The message upon the whole is mild and conservative, an ordinary paper, brief and plain and does not contain anything calculated to cause the Executive to be a target for public censure.

PROF. PICKETT.

[The following highly eulogistic article concerning Prof. Pickett, Sup. of Public Instruction, is from the pen of Capt. Sam M. Gaines and is a recent editorial in this paper. Prof. Pickett, in justice, this will set him right before our readers.]

FRANKFORT, KY., Dec. 8. En. SOUTH KENTUCKIAN.

I feel confident that a recent article in your paper in regard to the Superintendent of Public Instruction was not inspired by a desire to injure that official, nevertheless it contained several statements which did him great injustice. You charge that he is incompetent, that the reduction of the per capita is due to his mismanagement and that he and his subordinates are paid too much salary.

In regard to the first charge, that he is incompetent, it would not be necessary to say a word were he personally known to all of our readers. I make no hazard in saying, what is known to scholars and teachers throughout the State, that in every element of qualification for this high and important office he is vastly the superior of any man who has held it during the last twenty years. He is a scholar in the broadest and fullest sense of the word, and upon this foundation made in early life he has erected a superstructure of qualifications in the shape of twenty years of experience as a teacher in several of the best colleges and universities in the south. He is not only a man of broad and accurate scholarship, and a teacher of one experience with a practical knowledge of the management of schools and the needs of our system, but he possesses executive ability of high order. All who have had opportunities to know the truth will

corroborate these statements. Now as to the statement (which, notwithstanding its apparent absurdity, has been given general circulation) that the reduction of the per capita is due to the mismanagement of Prof. Pickett. Every person having any information on the subject knows that the Superintendent of Public Instruction, let him be who he may, has no more power to fix, regulate, increase or decrease, the per capita or share of revenue set apart for each pupil than has the Treasurer of the State. The per capita is fixed by the amount of the fund derived from various sources for school purposes. The Auditor is required to annually furnish the Superintendent with a statement of the probable amount of the school fund, and the per capita share of each child is fixed by dividing the amount amongst the children of school age in the State. An increase of the per capita can only be attained by an increase of taxation, and that is a matter over which the Superintendent has no control.

The statement that the Superintendent is paid too large a salary is also incorrect. Three years ago the Legislature reduced the salary of the Superintendent from \$3,000 to \$2,500, that of the first clerk from \$1,200 to \$1,000, and that of the second clerk from \$700 to \$600. These sums are by no means excessive, considering the importance and responsibilities of the work and the character of talent required to perform it. Moreover these salaries are not paid out of the school fund, as you seem to suppose, and in no way affect it. A reduction of the salaries to a merely nominal sum would not increase the school fund one farthing.

The opponents of Supt. Pickett have harped a great deal upon, and attempted to make capital out of, the delay in the appearance of his report. With the clerical force at his command it was simply impossible to keep up the work of the office and get out the report earlier. I use the definite word in reference to the delay because, had he been willing to send out a few hundred pages of such balderdash as has been made on previous occasions to masquerade in the name of a report, he could have published it with sufficient promptness to satisfy the most exacting of his critics. He appeared to the Legislature last winter to give him additional clerical force, but his request was not complied with. He then employed an additional clerk at his own expense. This necessity for an increase of the force in the office has existed at least for years. Superintending Supt. Pickett in 1871 said: "As I have for two sessions warned our Legislature, the point is reached when there is an absolute break down in the capacity of the office forces of the Superintendent to do the work imposed upon them, and to do their work creditably." Since that time the white children of pupils in the State have increased from 389,836 to 483,404. In addition to this 80,000 colored children have been added to the list, making an increase of near 200,000; in other words putting upwards of one-third more work upon the Superintendent and his clerks than was required at the time Dr. Smith's complaint was made. Can any one in the face of these facts censure Supt. Pickett for tardiness in making his report? It can moreover be said in defense of Mr. Pickett that he has spent no time in running the State on tours of self-promotion, or in posturing rhetorically for public applause. He has devoted his whole time to earnest, conscientious labor in his office. His report is not a string of platitudes, nor a plaintive rhetorical work-melody, whose resonant sentences are capable only of pleasing the ear. It is composed, from title page to index, of valuable facts and statistics, a mere reference to which would require more space than is usually given to a newspaper letter. I commend it, however, to the careful investigation of your readers as an able, logical and comprehensive, thoroughly disinterested treatise on the condition and needs of the common schools in Kentucky. Any competent judge, after examining it, will agree with me in the opinion that it is in reality the only report such as is contemplated and required by law. What I have said may sound harsh to some, but I speak confidently, advisedly—in simplicity to a thoroughly accomplished and most faithful public servant.

I know it was not your desire to do him wrong, and am equally confident that you will take pleasure in placing him in a proper light before your readers.

S. M. G.

SMALL CHANGE.

We read all of the President's message and still survive.

About this time look out for the announcement that "Christmas will soon be here."

In McLean county the ministers and officials still keep up the old-fashioned custom of kissing the bride when they marry a couple.

The Greenbackers are advancing backwards at a rapid rate. They have a dozen members in the present Congress and will not have one in the next.

The Times objects to the ringing of the court house bell in Madisonville unless there is a fire. Isn't this the time of the year to ring the bell?

We see from the Madisonville Times that Zeno Young took the cake last week. It was sent to him by a charming young friend who cooked it herself.

The McLean Progress came rushing in last Thursday just one week from the time it was published, but as the proprietor has been married only a few weeks we can excuse the delay.

The Bullitt Pioneer is a little late with its best story but it is better to come late than not at all. It has one that weighs 9 pounds and 5 ounces.

The word "verily" is not generally used as a verb but it ought to be

and so in the future we shall use it as such. This much to save critics the trouble of correcting us.

Did the Knedive mean to perpetrate a joke when he computed the death sentence of Arabi Boy to banishment to a place of his own choosing in the British Empire?

The transit of Venus took place Wednesday notwithstanding the cloudy weather. It was not postponed like a somewhat different affair set for the same day in a neighboring town.

To show that there is nothing small about us, we have determined to reward every person who shuts the door this winter with a house and lot and a lucrative government office.

We learn that Venus and the Sun gave their exhibition at Clarksville last Thursday. We didn't suppose the show would take in as small towns as our neighbor across the line.

KENTUCKY CULLINGS.

Morton's Almanac for 1883 is out. Russellville is to have a planing mill.

H. C. Hines has been re-elected mayor of Bowling Green.

There are 13 paupers in the Ohio county poor house.

Chas. Clark, a colored horse thief, escaped from the Franklin jail.

Big Jake, a 500 pound negro of Caldwell county, died last week.

The Sentinel predicts a building boom for Henderson, next spring.

The Paducah News and Times reach this office only semi-occasionally.

Dr. J. M. Parrish committed suicide at Kirksville, Madison county, by taking bromide of chloral.

H. J. Stuart, a New York drummer, committed suicide at Paducah while suffering with neuralgia.

The Penny Eagle has been started as an afternoon paper at Lexington, the grave yard of newspapers.

Robt. McClure shot Jay Hayscraft, at Leitchfield, while the latter was resisting arrest for disordered conduct.

Payette Loving sentenced to the penitentiary for the killing of Grubbs in Bowling Green has been granted a new trial.

An explosion in a saw mill in Hopkins county, came very near killing Ben E. Quarles, and severely scalded two other men named Ray and Branson.

The branch of the L. & N. railroad from Madisonville to Providence, 12 miles, is done and ready for business.

Judge C. E. Kincaid, has resigned the position of Secretary of the Democratic State Central Committee, and Jas. G. Givens has been appointed in his stead.

Jas. Petty and Bob Pierce, two horse-thieves, were surrounded by a posse of officers near Fulton. Petty surrendered, but Pierce resisted and was killed by Wm. Boone.

Some mischievous young scamps draped the whole town of Franklin in mourning one night last week. It was done as the result of the town election which resulted in the choosing of a new board of trustees and the defeat of the anti-license party.

The Baptist and Methodist ministers of Owensboro, are having a hot time writing personal and vituperative cards in the Messenger.

The trouble arose from a proposition to Dr. Coleman, of the Baptist church, from Dr. Hayes, of the Methodist church to hold a religious debate. Several other ministers have joined in and they are having a "monkey and parrot time."

NATIONAL NOTES.

More than fifty couples married in Cincinnati on Thanksgiving Day.

Jas. Cavanaugh died of hydrophobia in Philadelphia.

A bill has been reported to the House to remove the tax on tobacco in all its forms after July 1st next.

Annie Linden, a servant girl, ended her troubles at Pittsburg, by jumping from a fourth story window.

Metropolis, Ill., had a \$30,000 fire last week. The office of the Democrat burned, loss \$3,000.

Thirteen men perished on a burning barge on Lake Michigan, off Milwaukee.

Frank Frayne, the actor, who accidentally killed his sweetheart in Cincinnati has been acquitted.

Bill Allen, a notorious negro desperado was surrounded by the police and shot to death while resisting arrest in Chicago.

Congressman present and elect, J. T. Updegraff, Rep. of the Tenth Ohio District, died Nov. 30th after a lingering illness.

A special election will be held in the Eighth Alabama District, Jan. 2 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Congressman W. K. Lowe.

Kellogg, Rep., has been given a certificate of election in the Third Louisiana district, the contested case having been decided against Auklen.

Clayton McMichael, editor of the Philadelphia North American, has been appointed marshal of the District of Columbia, vice C. E. Henry removed.

There is a couple in Ottawa, Can., whose ages aggregate 211 years. They are named McDonald, and the husband is 105 and the wife is 106 years old.

The expenses of Garfield's sickness have been settled as follows: Dr. Bliss \$5,500; Dr. Agnew and Hamilton \$5,000 each; Dr. Rayburn and Boynton \$4,000 each; Dr. Eklund \$3,000. The company hotel and railroads were allowed fair compensation. The amount of the claims allowed was \$40,000 in round numbers.

THEY DIDN'T MARRY.

Miss Lizzie Young-Morton Changes Her Mind and Decides to Wed Neville Holman in stead of Joel McPherson and Then Postpones the Matter Indefinitely.

A Sensational Romance.

It will be remembered that we announced last week that Mr. Joel D. McPherson, of this city, would be married Wednesday evening to Miss Lizzie Morton, of Madisonville. The cards were out and everybody thought the wedding would have been over and forgotten by this time, but up to this writing their two hearts do not beat as one. In order that our readers may understand the true state of affairs we will explain to some extent.

Miss Lizzie Young-Morton is one of the prettiest and most accomplished young ladies in Southern Kentucky, and is just nineteen years of age, full of fun and romance, and it is not strange that half the boys in Hopkins and adjoining counties should be in love with her. She is the youngest daughter of Mr. Geo. G. Morton, the wealthiest citizen of his county, and is a sister of Mrs. Hendricks who was clandestinely married five years ago, afterwards divorced, and last spring again married to the same man, and is a cousin to Zeno F. Young, editor of the Times. Almost from her childhood she had been in love with Neville Holman, a handsome, but rather wild young fellow, a son of a wealthy druggist of Madisonville. As she approached womanhood she became engaged to Holman, and all went well until three years ago, when Joel D. McPherson, a son of Col. Geo. W. McPherson, of this city, met, loved and began to pay his attentions to the Madisonville belle, who was then a school girl. His suit was successful, Holman lost his place in her affections, Joel became her accepted suitor, and matters have continued thus until the cards announcing their marriage were issued. Holman, though rejected, has continued to love and still feels the force of his rejection, but when the day was set for her to marry McPherson, he died out of his heart and the darkness of despair settled upon his soul.

But now comes the sensational part of the affair. On last Saturday week, five days before the wedding day, Miss Morton sent for Holman, and we are reliably informed, though McPherson's version is different, and told him that she still loved him and that he might be the bridegroom if he wished, instead of McPherson. Overjoyed he flew to Evansville, purchased a wedding suit, and the preparations for the marriage went on. The matter was explained to the father and as he had never particularly favored McPherson any way, he was well pleased with the alteration in the programme, and so on Tuesday telegraphed McPherson that he need not come. McPherson, however, accompanied by his friend Andy Rodgers, took the next train for the field of operation. When he got there he was denied an interview with Miss Morton by the father. The young lady, however, heard his voice in the hall and flew down the steps and, he thought her father to let her see McPherson. The old gentleman finally relented and consented to let them see each other twenty minutes by the watch. Twenty minutes was long enough for Joel to get in his work, and when the father called out "time up," the young lady was in tears and avowed that she still loved him, and that he should not be taken from her. Holman and several of his friends appeared and were witnesses of this scene. McPherson at the end of an hour left, but although Holman remained he could not induce her to change her last resolve. Friends took sides, and delegations in the interest of both rivals waited upon the father and excitement ran high, not only in Madisonville but in Southern Kentucky. The telephone wires were kept ringing with messages between here and Madisonville, and all day pools were sold on the result with the two rivals about even. Along towards noon, it was learned that the mother, brothers and uncle of the young lady had declared in favor of McPherson, and for a while bets were two to one that he would win, but in the afternoon, late that there would be no wedding would not be taken. Late in the afternoon the news came that it had been postponed. Both the suitors remained on the ground the next day but no wedding came off although extensive preparations had been made and great stacks of cakes were piled away as dead stock. McPherson returned home Thursday night confident that he would yet lead the fair but fickle beauty to the altar, and thus the matter stands. The sympathies of the people here and of many of the most prominent citizens of Madisonville are with Joel. He had furnished a room and made every preparation to go to boarding with his bride in this city last week, but his doubts now know him, if he did not before, that Virgil spoke truly when he said, "varium et mutabile semper femina," a variable and changeable creature is woman always. Joel, it may be added, still has confidence in his betrothed and blames other parties for the trouble. He says damaging reports were circulated about him until the young lady's faith was shaken and her father's influence against him. Time alone will tell how the matter will terminate.

No one would believe that M. W. Gleason sells his groceries as cheap as he does until they examine his list for themselves.

Messrs. Chastain Bros. have opened up a picture gallery opposite Main Street warehouse.

WHEELER WAREHOUSE.

Wheeler, Mills & Co., Prop'rs.,
RUSSELLVILLE STREET.
HOPKINSVILLE, - KENTUCKY.
(Dec 17)

PRENIX BILLIARD PARLORS.

J. M. TANDY, PROPRIETOR,
Would respectfully announce that he has opened up a handsome suite of Billiard Parlors, over Gus Hall's, on BRIDGE STREET. Though hurried out three days after having opened a similar establishment, he is prepared to offer a still handsomer resort to those who love to roll the ivory spheres. Call and spend some of your leisure time in innocent sport.
[Dec. 5-'82-12m]

J. C. & J. K. GANT,

PLANTERS WAREHOUSE,
Tobacco Warehousemen & Commission Merchants,
HOPKINSVILLE, - KENTUCKY.
[Dec. 5, 1882-6m]

J. DOLFINGER & CO.,

IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN
CHINA, GLASS & QUEENWARE, GERMAN, FRENCH AND ENGLISH
FANCY GOODS,
No. 216 South side Market street, between Third and Fourth streets,
Louisville, Kentucky.
[Nov. 14-'82-2m]

THE LOUISVILLE

Cotton, Grain and Provision Exchange,
Buys and sells Grain, Provisions, Cotton and Stocks on quotations received from 2 minutes from the New York and Chicago Markets by SPECIAL WIRE. Send or write for our circulars, giving full information how to make your trades. Address:
T. J. HODGEN, Managers.
401 Main, Corner Fourth Avenue.
Nov. 14 '82-3m

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STOMACH BITTERS
Never fails to cure Fever and Ague, Intermittent Fever, Dyspepsia, Biliousness, Headache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Catarrh of the Bladder, Gravel, Gout, Dropsy, Indigestion, Constipation, and all the ailments which result from a disordered stomach. It is a safe and reliable remedy, and its use is recommended by the highest medical authorities. It is sold by all druggists and grocers.

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HOPKINSVILLE
NEW CHAMBER FOR BUSINESS IN THE CITY
COURT HALL, corner Main and Market Streets.
JOHN C. LATHAM, President.
JAMES A. WALLACE, Cashier.

RETAIL MARKET REPORT

Bar-ridge Bros.
Perk... 8 to 10c
Bacon, Shoulders... 12 to 15c
Sides... 20c
Hams, country... 18 to 20c
Hams, sugar-cured... 20c
Flour, choice... \$5.00
Good... \$4.50
Molasses choice N.O... 75 to 80c
In half bbls... 60 to 65c
Maple Syrup... \$1.25
Golden Broom... \$5.00
Candles... 18 to 20c
Butter... 30 to 35c
Eggs... 20c
Honey, gallon... 25c
Corn meal... 80c
Clover hay... \$4.00
Cut hay... \$4.00
Lard, snowflake... 15c
Beans, navy... \$4.00
Dried apples... 10 to 15c
Coffee, Rio... 15 to 20c
Java... 10 to 15c
Mexican or Cardova... 15 to 20c
Cheese, factory... 15 to 20c
Young American... 20 to 25c
Rice, Carolina... 8 to 10c
Sugar, N.O... 8 to 10c
Granulated... 11 to 12c
Salt... 7 to 8c
Potatoes, Irish... 15 to 20c
Black-eyed Peas... 2.00 to 2.50
Mackerel, kit... \$1.00 to 1.25
Lemons, doz... 30 to 40c
Oranges, doz... 50 to 75c
Canned goods:
Corn, doz... \$1.25 to \$1.75
Tomatoes, doz... \$1.25 to \$1.50
Pickle, gal... 50 to 75c
Honey, extract... 15c
Comb... 16 to 20c
Cheating Tobacco, lb... 55 to 60c
Tens, choice to fancy... 75 to \$1.00
Mixed to good... 60 to 75c
Axe, gross... 15 to 20c
Coal oil... 15 to 20c

BUSINESS CARDS.

Andrew Seargent, M. D.,
Offers his professional services to the people of Hopkinsville and vicinity. Office MAIN STREET, over Latham's Store. Can be found there day or night. Adverse professionally engaged. [Nov. 14-'82-1m]

ARTIFICIAL TEETH

Inserted in Fifteen minutes after natural ones are extracted, by
R. R. BOURNE,
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Main St., over Bank of Hopkinsville, HOPKINSVILLE, KY.
[Nov. 14-'82-1m]

C. H. BUSH,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,
HOPKINSVILLE, KY.
Office with C. A. Campbell, Weber Block, with Franklin in Christian and Adjoining Building. COLLECTIONS A SPECIALTY.
[Nov. 14-'82-1m]

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Zimmerman Fruit Fryer
New and Improved
JAMES H. ZIMMERMAN, Proprietor, Clarksville, Mo.

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Patent Solicitors, Washington, D. C., for references and advice, send free. No attorney's charge in Patent business. Reasonable terms. Success not needed. Send for circulars in other languages a specialty. Careless and stupid not for inventors. Write for circulars or to patent attorney, free of charge. Write to the Commissioner of Patents, all to be Commissioners. Not published. [Dec. 11th-82]

ONE WEEK

A week made at home by the inventor. Best business now before the public. Capital not needed. No stock to start you. Men, women, boys and girls can work in spare time or full time. You can work in your home or office, whole time to the business. No one can fail to make enormous money. Send for circulars. Write to the inventor. [Nov. 14-'82-1m]

ABERNATHY & CO.,

Tobacco Commission Merchants.
CENTRAL WAREHOUSE, HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY

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Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods.
FRANK T. GORMAN,
Merchant Tailor and Outfitter.

Having purchased for CASH in New York the largest and best assortment of stock of
Furnishing Goods
comprising all of the latest and best makes of Dress Shirts, Cuffs, Collars, Scarfs, Gloves Jewelry and Underclothing and having completed my Fall and Winter purchase of
Cloths, Doeskins, Cassimers, Tweeds, &c.,
of the best importations, am now prepared to offer inducements to purchasers requiring well fitting and elegant goods. Facilities never before presented by any House in this city. Mr. H. FORTMEYER GORMAN, the well known New York buyer has been retained as my correspondent in that city who will keep me fully informed as to new goods, styles, &c., thereby giving me advantages only enjoyed by a few of the largest wholesale Houses of the South and placing me on an equality with the leading Houses of New York City.

FRANK T. GORMAN,
Tailor and Outfitter.

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PIKE'S NEW
EUROPEAN HOTEL
SOUTH SIDE BRIDGE ST.,
HOPKINSVILLE, KY.
Everything in Firstclass Style
SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS
[Dec. 3-4-]

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(Successors to GORMAN & Co.)
MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS IN
Harness, Saddles and Bridles,
No 7 South Market St., NASHVILLE, TENN.
HARNESS.
For the next SIXTY DAYS, we will sell for cash, only, as follows:
No. 12 Buggy, Harness & C, mounted for \$7.50
No. 14 Buggy, Harness & C, mounted for \$8.50
No. 16 Buggy, Harness & C, mounted for \$9.50
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